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SUPPLEMENTAL EXAMINER'S ANSWER

This Supplemental Examiner's Answer is in response to the REMAND of September 29, 2005 by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences.

The REMAND was made to the Examiner for further development of the record as appropriate for claim 19 only.

(1) *Real Party in Interest*

A statement identifying the real party in interest is contained in the brief.

(2) *Related Appeals and Interferences*

The statement in the brief regarding the related appeals and interferences is correct.

(3) *Status of Claims*

The statement of the status of the claims contained in the brief is correct.

However, it is submitted that this supplemental examiner's answer is directed to only claim 19 as per the REMAND. Accordingly, the claims 13 and 15, AFFIRMED by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences in the decision rendered on September 29, 2005 have not been discussed herein.

(4) *Status of Amendments After Final*

The amendment after final rejection filed on July 25, 2002 has been entered.

(5) *Summary of Claimed Subject Matter*

The summary of the claimed subject matter contained in the brief is correct.

(6) *Grounds of Rejection to be reviewed on Appeal*

The appellant's statement of the Grounds of Rejection to be reviewed in the brief is correct.

However, claims 13 and 15 have not been addressed by the examiner in view of the AFFIRMATION.

Further, it is submitted that only claim 19 has been considered for this supplemental examiner's answer and is addressed below in a new ground of rejection as being anticipated under 35 USC 102(b) by CHO (WO-95/32097).

(7) *Claims Appendix*

The copy of the appealed claims contained in the Appendix to the brief is correct.

(8) *Evidence Relied Upon*

No evidence is relied upon by the examiner in the rejection of the claims under appeal.

(9) *Grounds of Rejection*

The following is a new ground of rejection for claim 19 in view of the REMAND further development:

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claim 19 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Cho (WO-95/32097).

Cho relates to a sticker sheet of opaque paper (page-6, line 17). The sheet (149) comprises a perimeter defined by two parallel side edges, a top edge and a bottom edge, the sheet has at least one first area (73) and at least one second area (49)

(figures 29B, 29C). As shown in the drawing, the first area extends to the top edge and extends from one parallel side edge to the other, and is being at least partially coated with an adhesive (73). The second area being located immediately adjacent to the first area and is being substantially free from said adhesive coating and provides a memo writing space. The adhesive is of a temporary adhesive nature (col. 6, lines 7-8) such that when the sticker is attached to and subsequently peeled off the application surface, the adhesive coating remains on the first area and the application surface suffers no damage. Further, figures 29B and 29C show that the sticker contains at least one weakened tear line (46A, 46B) that extends from said top edge to said bottom edge. The tear line can be pre-cut lines, perforated lines, etc. (page-48, lines 1-5) and provides a low tear strength that directs an initial tear at either end.

(10) *Response to Argument*

No arguments and/or response therefor have been made in view of the new ground of rejection on only claim 19.

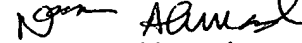
(11) *Related Proceeding(s) Appendix*

No decision rendered by a court or the Board is identified by the examiner in the Related Appeals and Interferences section of this examiner's answer.

For the above reasons, it is believed that the rejections should be sustained.

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